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NOTICE OF ERROR IN SMALL ENTITY STATUS & REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF  
DEFICIENT FEES UNDER 37 CFR §1.28

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.28, Patent Owner hereby provides notification that the small entity status was established in error in the above referenced patent.

On August 4, 2009, Patent Owner erroneously paid the small entity fee of \$490.00 for the 4<sup>th</sup> year maintenance fee in the above referenced patent. The current 4<sup>th</sup> year maintenance fee for a non-small entity is \$980.00. Please charge \$490.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-3083, for the deficiency in the 4<sup>th</sup> year maintenance fee paid on August 4, 2009.

Patent Owner further respectfully requests the Patent Office contact the attorney of record at (512) 617-5511 should the Patent Office require any further information to process this deficiency payment.

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